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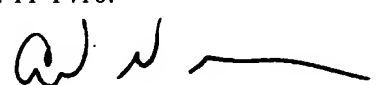

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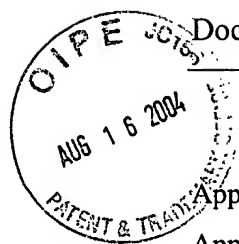
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- (X) Statement under 37 CFR § 3.73(b) in 1 page.
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 3.73(b)

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Dear Sir:

This document is being filed with a copy of a "Revocation and General Power of Attorney" signed by one of the Assignees of the above-captioned application and sets forth the entire chain of title.

Interuniversitair MicroElectronica Centrum VZW (IMEC) and ASM International NV are the Assignees of the entire right, title, and interest in the above-referenced application by virtue of an Assignment from ASM America, Inc. to IMEC and ASM International NV that was executed on January 14, 2004 and forwarded to the Assignment Branch of the Patent and Trademark Office on January 16, 2004. A copy this Assignment is included herewith. The previous assignment from the inventors to ASM America was recorded was recorded at Reel No. 011397, Frame No. 0805 by the Assignment Branch.

The undersigned is an agent of Customer Number 20995 and is authorized to act on behalf of ASM International NV as provided in the attached copy of the "Revocation and General Power of Attorney." All correspondence is to be directed to **Customer No. 20995**.

Respectfully submitted,

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